

Honorable James L. Robart

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
AUSTIN HSU,  
Defendant.

NO. CR20-191 JLR

**ORDER**

THE COURT has considered the stipulated motion to proceed with guilty plea hearing by video or telephonic hearing, along with all the records and files in this case and the General Orders currently in effect.

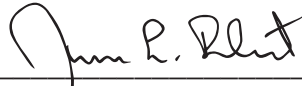
THE COURT FINDS that the circumstances are as set forth in the parties' motion, and that a video or telephonic guilty plea hearing may take place as soon as practical because further delays in this case would cause "serious harm to the interests of justice," see General Order No. 04-20 (3/30/20), for the reasons set forth in the parties' stipulation. Accordingly,

THE COURT ORDERS that the parties may proceed with a plea hearing by telephone and/or video conference, consistent with current procedures established by this

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1 Court, and directs the parties to consult with one another and the Court to schedule such a  
2 hearing at a mutually acceptable date and time.

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4 DONE this 7th day of January, 2021.

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8 JAMES L. ROBART  
9 United States District Judge

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